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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hiroyuki OKAHIRA et al

Serial No. : 10/042,032

Filed : October 25, 2001

For : APPARATUS FOR INSPECTING
A SUBSTRATE

Art Unit : 2877

Examiner : Tu T. Nguyen

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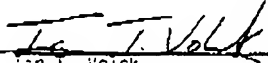
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